

AGENDA



Thursday, August 23, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 24**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS SUPPLY, LP, Royse City, TX, for the purchase of ductile iron fittings and pipe joint restraints of various sizes in an estimated amount not to exceed \$100,855, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$50,428 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$201,711.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$8,405 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 22 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Steve Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer, 974-2021.

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore no goals were established for this solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract will provide the Austin Water Utility with a readily available supply of ductile iron fittings and pipe joint restraint devices. The items will be ordered on an as needed basis and stored at the Utility's Webberville Storeroom and Glen Bell Service Center.

The ductile iron fittings and will be used by the maintenance crews for repairs of existing water lines. The pipe joint restraint devices are used to hold the fittings in place. The fittings and restraints are also used for installation of hydrants and by construction crews for new water lines.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/2

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twenty-nine notices were sent, including one MBE and two WBEs. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 35% increase to the last award made June 2006. This increase is due to the rise in the cost of steel products. Municipal Water Works is currently supplying some of the items in this contract.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bids received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.